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Landline Broadband Services
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited is providing a minimum 2 Mbps speed to its landline broadband users at no extra cost;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said move has triggered or may trigger a drop in data tariffs for higher speed by private telecom operators;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the BSNL is also considering to come out with more sops for its customers after the success of free roaming and free night call on landlines; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) &(b) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has upgraded the bandwidth under all ADSL (Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line) Broadband plans of 512 kbps & 1 Mbsp to 2 Mbps with Fair Usage Policy (FUP) w.e.f. 1.10.2015 without any additional cost to the customers.

(c) &(d) No such specific consequent action by private telecom operators has come to notice.

(e) &(f) BSNL, being a commercial organization, introduces appropriate schemes within the regulatory provisions from time to time for the benefits of its customers and to increase its market share.